

REJOICING IS GENERAL IN VALLEY OF VIRGINIA

Heavy Rains Have Relieved Drought
and Given Prospects for
Big Crops.

WHAT ACREAGE IS LARGE

Children of Winchester and Frederick County Have Annual Parade and School Fair—Great Educational Rally Is Held.

WINCHESTER, VA., May 15.—There has been general rejoicing in all sections of the Shenandoah Valley during the past few days because of a heavy and settled rain, which lasted part of two days—the first rain of consequence to fall in this section of the State since the winter snows melted in February. The drought has been a matter as serious as the protracted dry spell of last summer, which was a record-breaker. Some portions of that geographical section of the State, known as the Great Valley of Virginia, got more rain than others, but, according to reports received here this morning, the rainfall is believed to have been sufficient to revive drooping crops and put the ground in condition to be worked again. Some reports indicate, however, a shortage in the wheat crop, because of the protracted drought and other causes. These reports may be true, and no doubt are in certain instances, but, on the whole, farmers expect a larger yield than last year, because of the protracted drought and other causes. These reports may be true, and no doubt are in certain instances, but, on the whole, farmers expect a larger yield than last year, because of the protracted drought and other causes.

Upwards of 2,500 public school children of Winchester and Frederick Counties, accompanied by bands of music, school teachers and educators generally, held their annual parade here yesterday, and hundreds of people also attended the annual school fair, which included exhibits by pupils in every department, including the industrial arts, now embraced in the course of study prescribed by the State Board of Education. The district schoolroom work was the largest and most complete ever made in this part of the State, and the competition for prizes was keen and spirited. A non-stop educational rally, held in the afternoon, at which speeches were made by local educators. Several expert demonstrators from the United States Agricultural Department also spoke in the interests of the boys and girls' clubs.

TAKING PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT FIRES

Since the big forest fires along the eastern slope of the Blue Ridge Mountains in Clarke and Warren Counties, States fire wardens, who are stationed in or near the mountainous sections of other parts of Northern Virginia, and the adjacent parts of the Shenandoah Valley, are sending out warnings, printed on heavy cardboard and cloth, which are being posted conspicuously, urging everyone traveling in the mountain territory to be on the lookout for the first signs of fire, and to report them immediately to the nearest fire warden. Violations of the State and Federal laws are to be prosecuted, it is stated.

Professional and semiprofessional shooters from many sections of Virginia and other States have indicated their intention of attending a large prize tournament, which will be held about the middle of June under the auspices of the Winchester Gun Club on its own grounds in the suburban suburbs of Winchester. A local committee, in charge of the tournament, which will be unusually attractive, and entries have already been received from Maryland, the District of Columbia, and the counties of West Virginia and other States. Women will not be barred.

A number of hotel men of Virginia and other States, including W. B. Lusk, owner and manager of Hotel Adams of Winchester, who is also secretary and treasurer of the Southern Hotel Association, held a meeting in Washington a few days ago, at which steps were taken to promote "the Capitol tour," to be inaugurated along the lines of similar tours in New England, New York and other Northern States, which have done much to stimulate automobile traffic throughout the East. It is planned to have the tour start at Wilmington, Del., and travel by way of Baltimore, Washington, Fredericksburg, Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Natural Bridge, Hot Springs, Luray, Staunton, Winchester, Harpers Ferry, Frederick, Martinsburg, Hagerstown, Gettysburg, and returning to Wilmington. The principal hotels of the cities mentioned are to join in advertising the points of local and historical interest, and they are to give detailed information as to directions and conditions of roads.

Harry F. Byrd, son of United States District Attorney Richard F. Byrd, of the Western District of Virginia, and publisher of the Winchester Evening Star, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State senator from the district composed of the city of Winchester and the counties of Frederick and Shenandoah, to succeed former Judge Frank S. Traverser of the latter county, who is not a candidate for re-nomination. Mr. Byrd is one of the most prominent young business men in this section of the state and has an unusually strong following. It is the first political office of consequence to which he has aspired.

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The District of Columbia have gathered in the homes of Friends in Winchester and Frederick County for the purpose of attending the quarterly meeting at Hopewell, several miles north of this city, to-morrow and Monday. Meetings are held there at stated intervals during the year, but the May meeting is always the largest, and for considerably more than a century the historic meeting house and the grounds surrounding at Hopewell have been the mecca of thousands of people on the third Sunday in May. It has been frequently necessary to call for police protection, but the disorderly element has been routed in recent years.

OHIO MOTORIST ATTEMPTS TO BEAT THE TOLL-GATE

Officers of the Valley Turnpike Company, which manages the historic highway between Winchester and Staunton, over which several thousand automobiles pass to and from the North and South during a year, caught up yesterday with an Ohio motorist in his effort to run the toll-gates, and although he changed the number of his car the authorities say they have the original and are proceeding through proper legal channels to collect the toll. This is said to be the first instance of a motorist from another State trying to beat the toll-gates.

Relatives and intimate friends of Edwin T. Moler, of Martinsburg, W. Va., are much concerned as to his whereabouts, he having been missing from home since Saturday. Descriptions of Mr. Moler, who is a well-known business man, have been sent out and friends in other places have been notified, but no trace of him has been found. He took no baggage with him, so far as known.

W. H. Marshall, who died a day or two ago at Elkton, Va., is said to have bequeathed in his will the sum of about \$15,000 to the Rockingham Memorial Hospital at Harrisonburg, that county. The major portion of his estate, worth about \$50,000, is to be distributed among relatives and other charitable institutions.

Tenue Milburn, living near Hedgesville, Berkeley County, is reported to be in quite a serious condition with symptoms of blood poison as a result of being attacked, bitten and bruised by a vicious stallion a few days ago on his farm. He was attacked without warning and had to put up a desperate battle for his life.

A Baltimore official of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who was here yesterday, stated that general office officials are still at work on the new summer schedule, which is to go into effect on May 23, and it was reported that comparatively few, if any, changes would be made on the Shenandoah division. It had been hoped that the company would change the schedule of the Shenandoah specials, making them through trains between Washington and Baltimore and Lexington, Va., instead of requiring all passengers to change cars at Harpers Ferry, W. Va.

MONTGOMERY COURT HAS BUSY SESSION

CHRISTIANSBURG, VA., May 15.—The May term of the Montgomery Circuit Court, which had been in session since the first day of the month, adjourned yesterday, and Judge W. W. Moffett opened the Roanoke City Circuit Court to-day. This was one of the busiest terms in a number of years, and a large number of criminal and civil cases were tried, as well as a great many chancery cases argued and submitted.

The grand jury brought in eight indictments for felonies, after being in session a part of two days. The first criminal case tried was the J. H. Portwood murder case, he being found guilty of manslaughter and given one year in the penitentiary. J. H. Fisher was given two years in the penitentiary for forging a check for \$8 and passing it at Brown Brothers' store in Blacksburg two years ago. Charles Henderson was given eleven months on the State convict road force for assault and battery. Sonny James was acquitted of robbery, and Frank Morris was acquitted on the charge of breaking switch signals, while Taylor Gilmore was convicted on the same charge and fined \$100 and given a minute in jail. William Hoff was acquitted of attempting to shoot J. H. Norcross and sent to the county workhouse on order of the court, Sheriff Martin delivering him to the Marion authorities.

The suit of J. W. Parrish vs. the Norfolk and Western Railway Company, for \$15,000 damages, claimed for losing a part of his foot, was tried, and the jury gave the plaintiff \$2,000. The defendant will appeal the case to the Supreme Court of Appeals.

The Democratic county chairman, Colonel Sidney Shelton, has called the district and county conventions to nominate county and district officers to be held this fall. The district conventions will be held on May 22 and will nominate district officers including supervisors, constables, justices of the peace and overseers of poor, and delegates to the county convention to be held on June 5 at the court house to nominate candidates for Commonwealth's attorney, treasurer, sheriff, House of Delegates, and two commissioners of revenue.

B. F. Calloway, Hunter J. Phlegar, W. M. Pierce and W. O. Frith are spoken of for Commonwealth's attorney; W. M. Dunklee, C. A. Johnson, Sidney Shelton and C. A. Crumpacker for treasurer; W. H. Smith will in all probability be nominated for sheriff, while J. W. Shelburne, D. H. Barner, C. A. Johnson, R. L. Jordan, Sidney Shelton and D. T. Stephens are all being talked of for the House of Delegates. If W. M. Dunklee is not nominated for treasurer he will, no doubt, be urged by his friends for commissioner of revenue. R. T. Mosby is also mentioned for this place. C. A. Crumpacker, M. L. Harless and W. C. Slusser are all mentioned for commissioner of revenue in District No. 2.

Good Pay for Time Spent at Cohen's Monday and Tuesday

The store has no past record of merchandise glory which it is more truly entitled to than now. Every step will lead, not only to the latest and most appreciated new summer buying, but at such prices that will lead to quick selling! The store is running in advance of any spring season that it has had in years.

Many of the goods on sale for these two days at least, or as long as they last, are at lower prices than we have ever bought for, or can buy for ordinarily, even at present.

Beginning Monday, Another SPECIAL SALE OF Summer Dresses \$2.48

Nothing but a stroke of rare good fortune brought us these DRESSES at a price permitting of their sale at \$2.48. You will readily recognize that they were made to sell for a great deal more.

About 125 Dresses, in seven different models and a variety of the most popular materials. Every garment is carefully made and a most unusual value!

Come early for a bargain Monday!

Crepe de Chine and Taffeta Dresses, Beginning at \$17.50

White Crepe de Chine and Taffeta in combination with Georgette Crepe; a handsome model is priced at only \$17.50, and from this on up to \$27.50, there are innumerable stylish models, embodying the very newest style ideas. See the beautiful display in the Garment Store.

New Waists \$1.00 With the Stylish New "Quaker" Collars

Two entirely new models, made of dotted voiles and dotted silky fabrics, the dots coming in a variety of colors; both have the new "Quaker" collars and are rare Waist values at only \$1.00.

\$1.50 Chiffon Taffeta, \$1.00 yard

In all the most popular colors for one-piece dresses and coat suits.

65c Satin Stripe and Embroidered Tub Silks; some 25 of the most wanted colors to select from, yard 44c
\$1.00 Chiffon Taffeta Suits; all colors and black, at, yard 85c
\$2.00 Chiffon Faille, yard wide; lustrous, soft finish, at, yard \$1.46
Imported Taffeta, yard wide; all pure silk and pure dye; in handsome crow black; special Monday and Tuesday at, yard 75c

19c Luna Lawn, 12 1/2c yard

Crisp linen finish, very sheer; made of selected comb thread; wears and launders like linen; 40 inches wide; only 10 pieces to be sold at this price. Come early!

50c Oxford Skirting; a basket weave, with a beautiful mercerized finish; ideal cloth for smart skirts, yard 39c
50c Check Novelty Crepe, 36 inches; extremely popular; a special clear-away of values up to 50c, at, yard 25c
Gaboride Skirting, both plain and herringbone weaves; Monday and Tuesday an exceptional value at, yard 50c

25c Chiffon Voiles, 19c yard

The most popular stripe and figure patterns and designs; about 100 pieces of this high-grade Chiffon Voile for Monday and Tuesday at this special price.

25c Mercerized Poplin, the craze for smart one-piece dresses; all colors and black, at, yard 19c
Rompers Cloth, Galatea Cloth; the fabrics for hard wear; fast colors, light, dark and plain; special value, at, yard 12 1/2c only

A Sale of Sample Lace Curtains

A special lot of Curtains that served as one of our largest manufacturer's house samples will be offered Monday in the Upholstery Department. Mostly one and two pairs of a kind, so come early for these great values. Among them are Nets, Serpents, Nottingham, Muslin and Irish Point Curtains at these special prices:

Any of the 75c Curtains for 55c pair
Any of the \$1.25 Curtains for 75c pair
Any of the \$1.75 Curtains for \$1.00 pair
Any of the \$4.00 Curtains for \$2.00 pair
Any of the \$8.00 Curtains for \$3.00 pair

Sale of Dress Goods at \$1.00 yd

One special lot of Black Dress Goods will be offered Monday, consisting of the following:

\$1.50 42-inch Armure Your Choice at
\$1.75 46-inch Diagonal \$1.00
\$1.39 42-inch Melrose
\$1.65 Fancy Weave yard

Only one piece of each to be sold.

Silk and Wool Poplins, in all colors and black; a new shipment just received; exceptional value Monday and Tuesday at, yard 85c only

\$1.50 Fancy Velvet Corduroy; white with black, and white with tan pin stripes; also all white, heavy wale, special Monday and Tuesday, yard \$1.00 Main Floor.

Silk Poplin, in black, rose, delf blue, Copenhagen, sand, marine and navy; the best value to be found at, yard 58c Seco Section, Main Floor.



A Great Assortment of Summer Dresses \$7.95 Specially Priced at

It is the most varied and complete line we have yet offered at anywhere near this price, and the values are exceptional.

A wide range of pretty new styles and such wanted materials as striped voiles, flowered seed voiles and many novelty fabrics.

Ask to see them Monday.

Beautiful Dresses at \$17.50

Quite an assortment of charming models of voiles and imported novelty materials, with trimmings of fancy nets and laces. Unusually pretty garments at this popular price.

Crepe de Chine Dresses, \$12.75

Two extremely smart models of exceptional quality crepe de chine, with wide box-plaited or knife-plaited skirt; navy, white and black, at only \$12.75.

Second Floor.

Special Demonstration of Peek's Celebrated Tea

To show our patrons how good Tea really can be, we will hold a special "sampling" demonstration of PEEK'S IMPORTED TEA, on the main floor to-morrow. Come in and try a glass of this delicious, refreshing Iced Tea with our compliments.

Peek's Tea is guaranteed absolutely pure; 11 varieties, and in 10c, 25c, 50c and 75c packages.

An Unusual Special Sale of Laces and Embroideries

Monday will see the continuation of our Lace and Embroidery Sale. To the many special values offered last week have been added a great number of new arrivals for Monday's sale, making this the greatest sale of the kind, in point of variety and values, you have had the opportunity of attending.

Beautiful New Laces

A lot of fine Net Top Lace Flouncings; 72-inch width, that sell ordinarily for \$2.50, white and ecru, have been grouped for your selection at one price, yard 98c
Another lot are 27-inch Shadow Lace Flouncings, white and ecru, are priced at only 25c
Wide Fancy Trimming Laces and Bands with Laces to match; two special lots, selling regularly at from 12 1/2c to 25c; sale 7c
Fine Embroidered Net Flouncings, in white; ideal for commencement dresses; 22, 27 and 36-inch widths; exceptional values at, yard \$1.25 and 75c

Swiss and Organdie Embroideries

Organdie and Fine St. Gall Swiss Flouncings; 27 inches wide, 50c and 75c values, at, yard 39c
18-inch Swiss and Organdie Flouncings, the most beautiful designs; exceptional value at, yard 25c
\$1.25 Allover Organdie Embroideries 45 inches wide; 1 1/2 yards required for a waist, yard 68c
\$1.00 Organdie Flouncings, 36 inches wide, at, yard, 59c and
24-inch Baby Flouncings, ruffled on sheer, fine French Mercerized batiste; special at, yard 50c Main Floor.

A Sale of Chinaware

Hotels and boarding houses, as well as private homes, should prepare now for the thousands who will visit Richmond during the Confederate Reunion, while every need can be filled at greatly reduced prices in our housefurnishing store.

Cooking Utensils, Tableware, Glassware and various other furnishings for the home are offered in a special sale for this occasion. Among the offerings:

White Porcelain Bowls and Pitchers, 95c.
Pitchers only, 50c; White Porcelain covered Chambers, 49c; Covered Slop Jars, 85c.
Bread and Butter Plates, 30c
dozen; Breakfast Plates, 50c doz.; Dinner Plates, 50c dozen; Soup Plates, 50c doz.; Cups and Saucers, 75c doz.; 6-in. Platters, 84c doz.; 8-in. Platters, \$1 doz.; 10-in. Platters, \$2.00 doz.; Oyster or Soup Bowls, 90c dozen.

\$1.00 Muslin Underwear, 68c

A special Monday clear-away of slightly muslin Undergarments; a single trip to the laundry makes them the equal of the fresh ones here at \$1.00. In the lot are Petticoats, Drawers, Combinations, Gowns, etc. Your choice at 68c each.

Crepe de Chine Camisoles, in white and flesh color; Lemstitched and lace-trimmed models; exceptional values at \$1.15 only
Beautiful Crepe de Chine Gowns, striped, flesh color \$5.75
Crepe de Chine Bloomers, fancily trimmed with \$3.50
Lacy Lingerie Corset Covers; shoulder sleeves, for \$1.00 only
Satin Petticoats, cream color, with scalloped embroidery edge; special value at 40c
Corset Covers, with allover embroidery front, special at 15c Second Floor.

\$5.00 Wool Fiber Rugs, \$3.50

An unusual opportunity to secure an excellent summer Floor Covering at a great saving; 9x12 size, in large assortment of attractive designs.

MATTING RUGS; excellent grade, with various attractive woven and printed patterns, at these special prices:
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